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LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

[Under this heading short letters of interest will be published when accompanied, for publication, by the writer's name. The Tribune will not be held responsible for opinions here expressed.]

Mr. Warnke's Statement.

Editor of The Tribune. Sir—Please allow me space in your valuable paper to answer some of the trumped-up charges placed against me by Frank Jones, No. 1. I desire in principle to direct my remarks to my accuser, James Heavers, who claimed that I tried to raise a disturbance in the company room and also said that I remarked that the company's charter was not worth the paper it was printed on.

In answer to the first, I will state that Frank Jones, who is not a member, came to the rooms and began to abuse me. I resisted the insult, but there was no fight. Mr. Heavers is greatly afraid of trouble in "his" engine house. Now the question is, why did he not bring charges against the man who, a short time ago, came down stairs and threatened to kick all in the immediate neighborhood? This man went out on the street blowing his own horn, but was speedily checked by a man next door, who came out and gave him a good thrashing.

Heavers overlooked this matter. Why did he not bring charges against the man who made a boast of himself in a saloon on New Year's eve in violence of the company's by-laws? The question is easily answered. These men are on his side of the fence. "Jimmie" shows his goodness and mercy, and pardons all their wrong-doings. In regard to the charter which I criticized, I will stick to my statement. The company has no capital stock and consequently can declare no dividends. They have done this and broken the charter.

Some of the members who have not yet been molested, have already become ashamed of having their names connected with such contemptible doings, and are thinking of resigning. "Jimmie" Heavers and his pals do not own that house, and they will soon discover it. In closing I will again ask, "Who stole that flour?"

Fred Warnke. Scranton, Pa.

A FEW LEFT

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TEN ROUNDS OF LIVELY FIGHTING

Pat Murphy Makes a Fine Showing Against Foy Dan McDermott.

SCRANTON MAN GOT THE DECISION

Referee Judge Decided That Murphy Did the Most Fighting--He Rushed Things from the Start, While the Brooklyn Boy Took Things Easy and Played a Waiting Game--Preliminary Bout and Wrestling Match.

Ten rounds of the fiercest kind of pugilistic work were witnessed at Music hall last night by a dollar-a-head crowd that jammed the lower floor and comfortably filled the gallery. P. J. Murphy of this city and Dan McDermott, of Brooklyn, were the principals. The local man got the decision because he did the most of the fighting. Murphy is considered the best man among the big ones hereabouts and Dan McDermott is known to the ring as a dangerous man for any one of his weight to run up against.

McDermott is a foxy, easy going fighter who could put up a good battle if he didn't have a hand at all. Every trick known to the ring seemed to be at his command and in addition to this he has a style peculiar to himself; in fact it is the most peculiar style exhibited by any boxer who has appeared here, and he is the only one who has been on his opponent but instead appeared to be always intent on studying something on the floor several feet away from where his interest really centered.

It is needless to say, though, that his eyes were riveted on his opponent all the time. His ducking and dodging were marvellous and his calmness was almost aggravating. As a hard and quick hitter he was all right too.

THEY FOUGHT AT 152.

The men weighed in at 152 pounds each, but Murphy to the untrained eye appeared to be the heavier man. He drove the most of it in both hands and reach was broader across the shoulders. McDermott had a good part of his weight in his chest and back. Leaving Murphy's wonderful strength and McDermott's headness out of consideration and a better match could hardly be asked.

LIVELY SECOND ROUND.

In the second round Murphy landed one of his sledge hammers which caused the Brooklyn man to change his tactics. He let himself out and for a minute there was the liveliest kind of an exchange, Murphy emerging with a bloody nose. McDermott led and landed at the opening of the third round, but when Murphy showed up strong on returns McDermott went back to his ducking tactics. Murphy was fairly covered with the blood that flowed from his forehead and nose while McDermott's face was a scarlet. Both men commenced to breathe hard and from this out neither of them had any wind to spare. Murphy's drives continued strong and although they were falling short he invariably got the best of the in-fighting this followed and as a rule McDermott wound up with Murphy on the ropes and Murphy over him.

McDERMOTT RUSHED THINGS.

McDermott took a hand at rushing things himself in the ninth and as a consequence there was a fierce slugging bout, Murphy taking his medicine and coming back as if the punishment was just what he liked. Towards the end of the round both men were well nigh collapsed and as a result the concluding go was the tap of the ten, a rush by Murphy which landed McDermott hard against the ropes and a clean and hard right and left in quick succession by the Brooklyn man being the only features.

MURPHY WAS HANDLED BY RICHARD HEAVERS.

The referee, Jim Judge, announced that Murphy was the winner because of his having done the most work and it is unnecessary to say the decision was approved by the crowd. Murphy was handled by Richard Heavers, Toby Gardner and Jack Skelly.

COMPARISON OF THE TRAVEL ON BRIDGES

Number of Persons That Pass Over Those at Linden Street and Lackawanna.

SOME INTERESTING STATISTICS

They Were Compiled by Direction of the Board of Trade and Show That Over Twenty-seven Per Cent. of the Pedestrians Between the Central City and the West Side Chose the Linden Street Structure.

The people who know all about the relative amount of traffic on the Lackawanna and Linden street bridges don't really know half the truth. Since the erection of the latter structure it has been said, chiefly by those who opposed its erection that it was little more than an expensive ornament. On Thursday is was proved by a practical test that for every 69 persons who cross the Lackawanna bridge, 29 pass over the Linden street structure.

THEY MADE A COUNT.

On Thursday two trustworthy men were placed one on the western approach of each bridge and recorded the number of pedestrians, foot rigs and single rigs that crossed the bridges in both directions. No record was kept of street cars or the number of passengers they carried or the persons who drove or rode in conveyances. These two men were on duty from 8 a. m. to 6 p. m. They were absent from their posts from 11.20 to 11.50 o'clock in order to rest and eat lunch. The result of their work is shown in detail in the following table:

Table with columns: Hour, Pedestrians, Double rigs, Single rigs. Rows for hours 6-7, 7-8, 8-9, 9-10, 10-11, 11-12.

LAND FOR A DOUBLE TRACK.

Allowed to Northern Coal and Iron Company by Judge Gunster. An order was handed down by Judge Gunster yesterday in the equity suit of the Scranton Gas and Water company against the Northern Coal and Iron company which allows the Coal and Iron company, otherwise the Delaware and Hudson Canal company, sufficient land to lay a double track where the road of the company curves to the south after crossing Bridge street.

The land that is required for the double track is owned by the Gas and Water company and is part of the plot on which its large gas plant is erected. It was maintained by that company that all of this land is needed for its growing gas plant and that to give any of it to the coal and iron company would be to work serious injury to the company.

Court, however, decided to give the Northern company permission to take possession of sufficient land for another track to be laid parallel to the track which is the main line of the Delaware and Hudson company between this city and Wilkes-Barre. There has been litigation for a number of years between these two companies over this strip of land.

SUIT AGAINST THE CITY.

Joseph Ober Wants to Recover \$10,000 Damages. Joseph Ober, through his attorneys, I. H. Burns and Horace E. Hand, brought suit yesterday afternoon against the city for \$10,000 damages. Mr. Ober claims that through the negligence of the city in not placing a light near the southern side of Street street, approaching the Linden street bridge, he fell over the wall. He was very seriously injured, he says, and he spent \$1,000 in doctor's bills and medicines. Mr. Ober is the father-in-law of Mayor James G. Bailey.

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AMUSEMENTS.

Caroline Miskel Hoyt, who will be the star of her husband's latest comedy, "A Contented Woman," which is going to be presented here at the Academy of Music, Monday, March 15, is a Kentucky girl born and was raised on the side of the Blue Grass region. A little over three years ago her husband, then her fiance, made her a present of a couple of fine unbroken trotting horses which he purchased at a sale at Lexington, Ky. Mrs. Hoyt took charge of the youngsters, and at the proper time broke them according to a method of her own. They were taught to obey her voice and a slight touch of the whip, without the use of reins.

One of the most striking parts of "Rob Roy," which is to be given at the Academy of Music on Tuesday evening next, both musically and spectacularly, is just before the finale of the first act, when the gathering of the clans is celebrated. Each clan comes on singing some old characteristic Scotch song. The Campbells sing, "The Campbells Are Coming," the McPhersons, "Charlie Is My Darling," the Stuarts, "The White Cockade," etc. Following this Mr. DeKoven, the composer, has deftly blended all of the melodies in a most striking ensemble. It is this work more than any of their other efforts that has made DeKoven and Smith the foremost in field of light opera buffing.

The spectacular aerobic farce comedy, "Eight Bells," with the seemingly boneless Brothers Byrne as the guiding spirits will be presented at the Academy of Music Wednesday evening and night, March 17. Those who have seen this pantomime production in the past will scarcely recognize it, so many and so novel are the new features, which have been injected in it. Notably among these are bright catchy songs, wonderful calumnet effects, and a gymnastic potpourri that has never been exceeded. The music of the play is tuneful and of the light, popular variety, while the mechanical effects follow each other so fast that it is bewildering.

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WANT CIGARETTES SUPPRESSED.

Bill Against the Little White Pipe in Michigan House. Lansing, Mich., March 12--Representative Chamberlain's anti-cigarette bill was favorably reported by the committee on public health of the lower house of the legislature today, and it will be discussed on the general order in a day or two. It not only prohibits the manufacture of the article in this state, but provides a punishment for their sale under any circumstances.

There was a warm fight in the senate today over the bill to repeal the mortgage tax law, but it was finally passed by a close vote. The law has been on the statute books several years, and it has never fully protected the mortgagor, who has been compelled by contract or otherwise to pay the taxes.

TURKEY AFTER OUR WARSHIPS.

Report in Constantinople That a Purchase Is Being Negotiated. Constantinople, March 12--In semi-official circles here it is positively asserted that the administration of the sultan's civil list is negotiating with the United States government for the purchase of two or three ironclads which have already been completed in the United States, and it is added that the sum of \$200,000 has already been paid on account.

Washington, March 12--The report that Turkey is negotiating for American ironclads is not credited here since the government owns all such vessels in the United States and could not dispose of them without an act of congress.

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